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Future Passives

[9] FUTURE SIMPLE: WILL

Active: SUBJECT + WILL + VERB 1 + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + WILL + BE + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples
Active: I **will finish** the research report soon.
Passive: The research report **will be finished** (by me) soon.

Active: She **will accept** our last proposal.
Passive: Our last proposal **will be accepted** (by her).

[10] FUTURE SIMPLE: BE GOING TO

Active: SUBJECT + BE GOING TO + VERB 1 + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + BE GOING TO + BE + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

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For examples
Active: The government **is going to build** a new airport.
Passive: A new airport **is going to be built** by the government.

Active: The government **is going to decrease** the inflation rate.
Passive: The inflation rate **is going to be decreased** by the government.

[11] FUTURE CONTINUOUS

Active: SUBJECT + WILL + BE + VERB–ING + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + WILL + BE + BEING + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples
Active: We **will be discussing** essay writing this time next year.
Passive: Essay writing **will be being discussed** (by us) this time next year.

Active: They **will be setting** up a new branch office in Singapore next year.
Passive: A new branch office **will be being set up** (by them) in Singapore next year.

[12] FUTURE PERFECT SIMPLE

Active: SUBJECT + WILL + HAVE + VERB 3 + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + WILL + HAVE + BEEN + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples
Active: I **will have finished** our group assignment by Friday.
Passive: Our group assignment **will have been finished** (by me) by

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Active: I **will have downloaded** new songs by noon.
Passive: New songs **will have been downloaded** (by me) by noon.

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Past Passives

[5] PAST SIMPLE

Active: SUBJECT + VERB 2+ OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + WAS/WERE + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,
Active: She **invited** friends for dinner last night.
Passive: Friends **were invited** (by her) for dinner last night.

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Active: They **cleaned** their house before new year.
Passive: Their house **was cleaned** (by them) before new year.

[6] PAST CONTINUOUS

Active: SUBJECT + WAS/WERE + VERB–ING+ OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + WAS/WERE + BEING + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,
Active: She **was drawing** a picture.
Passive: A picture **was being drawn** (by her).

Active: We **were cutting** the grass when you called.
Passive: The grass **was being cut** (by us) when you called.

[7] PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS

Active: SUBJECT + HAD + VERB 3 + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + HAD + BEEN + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,
Active: They had sold a company before setting up a new one.
Passive: A company had been sold (by them) before setting up a new one.

Active: He had finished the food when we arrived.
Passive: The food had been finished (by him) when we arrived.

[8] PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS

Active: SUBJECT + HAD + BEEN + VERB–ING + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + HAD + BEEN + BEING + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,
Active: The police had been investigating them for long.
Passive: They had been being investigated by the police for long.

Active: They had been selling a lot of drug before arrested.
Passive: A lot of drug had been being sold by them before arrested.

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FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2013

Present Passives

[1] PRESENT SIMPLE

Active: SUBJECT + VERB 1 + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + AM/IS/ARE + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,
Active: He **designs** a new logo.
Passive: A new logo **is designed** by him.

Active: They **visit** their parents.
Passive: Their parents **are visited** by them.

[2] PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Active: SUBJECT + AM/IS/ARE + VERB-ING + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + AM/IS/ARE + BEING + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,
Active: She **is finishing** the homework.
Passive: The homework **is being finished** by her.

Active: They **are building** a new house.
Passive: A new house **is being built** by them.

[3] PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE

Active: SUBJECT + HAVE/HAS + VERB 3 + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + HAVE/HAS + BEEN + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,

Active: We **have launched** new courses this year.
Passive: New courses **have been launched** (by us) this year.

Active: He **has upgraded** the software.
Passive: The software **has been upgraded** by him.

[4] PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

Active: SUBJECT + HAVE/HAS + BEEN + VERB-ING + OBJECT
Passive: SUBJECT + HAVE/HAS + BEEN + BEING + VERB 3 + BY AGENT

For examples,
Active: He **has been designing** this application for years.
Passive: This application **has been being designed** (by him) for years.

Active: They **have been constructing** a new bridge since last year.
Passive: A new bridge **has been being constructed** (by them) since last year.

Passive Voice

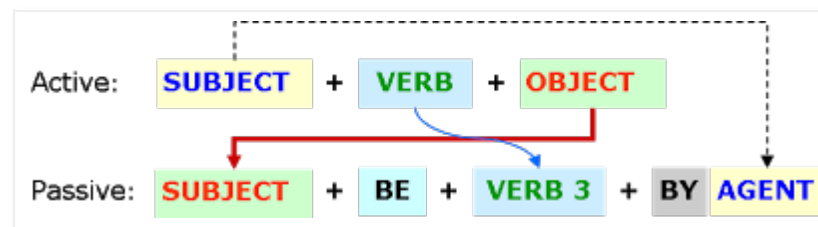
Passive voice is a form of sentence that focus on the action rather than the doer or performer. The subject in passives sentences receives the action (while the subject in active sentences perform the action).

We use passive form when:

- we don't don't know who/what does the action,
- we don't want to tell/show who/what does the action,
- who/what does the action is not important,
- or we want to focus only on action.

For examples,

- Active: Navy wrote a letter.
- Passive: A letter was written by Navy.

In the active sentence, Navy (the subject) performed the action (wrote), and a letter (the object) received the action. However, in passive sentence, the a letter (which is now the subject) received the action, and Navy (the agent) becomes object of preposition (by) and is called "agent". See the diagram below:

NOTE:

[1] The subject in active sentence does the action. It becomes object of preposition or agent in passive sentence.

[2] The subject in passive sentence receive the action. The subject in passive sentence is the object in active sentence.

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